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PATENT

In Re Application Of:)
Gilmore et al.)
Application No.: 10/042,620)
Filed: January 9, 2002)
For: Gaming Machine With Chain)
Reaction Selection Feature)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to the first Office Action, please enter the following claim amendments and remarks into the record for this application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new claims 26-31 as follows.

26. (New) A method of conducting a wagering game on a gaming machine, the method comprising:

receiving a wager from a player;

conducting a primary game free of slot reels and playing cards; and

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